

## Families Making the Connection

### Brake 4 Buses

Despite flashing lights and red stop arms, drivers violate the law, risk lives and pass stopped school buses every school day.

According to N.C. Department of Public Instruction data, over 800,000 students depend on school buses for transportation each school day. Over 3,000 cars per day in our state illegally pass school buses, while these buses are stopped to pick up or drop off students.

### North Carolina School Bus Stop Law

When a school bus stops for passengers, all traffic from both directions must stop on a:

- 2 lane roadway
- 2 lane roadway with center turning lane
- 4 lane roadway without a median separation

When a school bus stops for passengers, only traffic following the bus must stop on a:


- Divided highway of 4 lanes or more with a median separation
- Roadway of 4 lanes or more with a center turning lane

Drivers convicted of passing a stopped school bus face a minimum \$500 fine and 5 five points on their record and are not eligible for prayer for judgment. A driver who passes a stopped school bus and hits someone will face a Class I felony and a minimum of \$1,250 fine. The penalty rises to a Class H felony and minimum \$2,500 fine if someone is killed.

Everyone can help save lives. Students can look out for cars and drivers can watch for buses. Find out more at [www.ncbussafety.org](http://www.ncbussafety.org).

## Menus for May 2015

[Insert name of Local Education Agency] Elementary Schools

				Friday, May 1
				
Monday, May 4	Tuesday, May 5	Wednesday, May 6	Thursday, May 7	Friday, May 8
Monday, May 11	Tuesday, May 12	Wednesday, May 13	Thursday, May 14	Friday, May 15
Monday, May 18	Tuesday, May 19	Wednesday, May 20	Thursday, May 21	Friday, May 22
Monday, May 25	Tuesday, May 26	Wednesday, May 27	Thursday, May 28	Friday, May 29

## May

- Global Youth Traffic Safety Month
- National Bike to School Day (May 7)
- School Nutrition Employee Week (May 4-8)



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